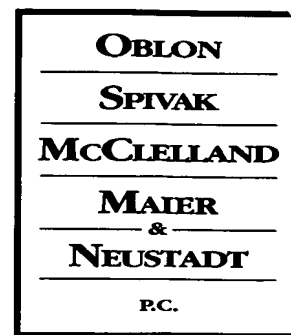




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Applicants: Philippe MARLIERE, et al.
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For: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING CHEMICALLY
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ACIDS
Group Art Unit: 1636
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Response to Restriction Requirement (3 pp.)

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Responsive to the Official Action dated August 21, 2002, Applicants elect, with
traverse, Group I, Claims 1-14 and 18 for further prosecution.

REMARKS

The Office has required restriction in the present application as follows:

- Group I: Claims 1-14 and 18, drawn to processes for selection of cells capable of expressing a protein essential for the cell's growth and a selected cell;
- Group II: Claims 15-17 and 19-34, drawn to methods of selecting cells comprising an aminoacyl-tRNA synthetase capable of charging at tRNA capable of recognizing a missense mutation with an unconventional amino acid, selected cells and methods of using such cells to produce a polypeptide comprising an unconventional amino acid;
- Group III: Claims 35-46, drawn to methods of purifying the protein comprising the unconventional amino acid and the purified protein;
- Group IV: Claims 47-49, diagnostic packs and methods of using the purified protein as part of a diagnostic composition; and